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SUBJECT: SPANISH AIDE MEMOIRE ON POSSIBLE US WITHDRAWAL
FROM THE ILO

1. SPANISH AMBASSADOR JUAN JOSE ROVIRA CALLED ON IO
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DALLEY ON 8 SEPTEMBER TO
PRESENT AIDE-MEMOIRE.

2. TEXT OF AIDE MEMOIRE IS AS FOLLOWS:

THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT IS PREOCCUPIED OVER THE POSSIBLE
WITHDRAWAL OF THE UNITED STATES FROM THE INTERNATIONAL
LABOR ORGANIZATION. OTHER WESTERN GOVERNMENTS,AS WELL,
SHARE THE SAME PREOCCUPATION.

ON AUGUST 29, 1977, THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF
SPAIN TO THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN GENEVA MET
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WITH THE AMBASSADOR OF THE UNITED STATES AND DISCUSSED THE
MATTER THOROUGHLY.

WITH ALL DUE RESPECT FOR THE ULTIMATE DECISION WHICH
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES DEEMS APPROPRIATE ON
THE SUBJECT, THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS THAT THERE
ARE SEVERAL STRONG ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE UNITED STATES

STAYING IN THE ILO:

1. IF THE UNITED STATES WITHDREW FROM THE ILO IT WOULD BREAK THE EQUILIBRIUM BETWEEN COUNTRIES WITH DIFFERENT SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND IDEOLOGICAL SYSTEMS.
2. IF THE ABOVE WERE TO HAPPEN, A DISEQUILIBRIUM WOULD OCCUR IN FAVOR OF EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES WITH SUBSEQUENT REPERCUSSIONS ON THIRD WORLD NATIONS.
3. THE ROLE PLAYED BY THE UNITED STATES IN THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN GENERAL AND IN THE ILO IN PARTICULAR CANNOT BE REPLACED, AND HER ABSENCE WOULD NEGATIVELY AFFECT INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF LABOR.

THE POSITION OF THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT TO THIS RESPECT IS BASED ON HER SINCERE SPIRIT OF FRIENDSHIP TOWARDS THE UNITED STATES AND ON HER CONVICTION REGARDING THE BENEFITS WHICH THE WORLD COMMUNITY WILL ACCRUE BY THE CONTINUED PRESENCE OF THE UNITED STATES IN ILO.
END TEXT.

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